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Jury Term of District Court Opened Today

Judge John W. Yeager of Omaha here to take up Criminal Cases on Docket for Judge Kieck.

From Monday's Daily—
The jury term of the district court, postponed since November, this morning was opened with Judge John W. Yeager of Omaha, presiding. Judge Kieck, former county attorney, was disqualified to sit on the criminal cases that are to be heard and he exchanged benches with Judge Yeager.

The first case called for trial was that of the State of Nebraska vs. Edgar Boynter, on a charge of malicious destruction of property, he being charged by the state with the destruction of a plate glass window in one of the business buildings at Murray. The offense that Mr. Boynter is charged with occurred June 7, 1936, the value of the window destroyed being fixed at \$39.

The building was owned by Earl Lancaster, George Nickles and W. G. Boedecker.

The members of the jury reporting today for service were Adam Schafer, Nehawka; W. C. Farmer, Ashland; Joe F. Gustin, Murdock; Elmer Bennett, Alvo; Fred Rehmeier, Weeping Water; William Sheehan, Jr., Manley; Marion J. Stone, Nehawka; R. L. Keckler, Weeping Water; Clarence Bucknell, Elmwood; Earl Wolf, Henry Pearsley, Union; H. A. Kuehn, Elmwood; Melvin Sturm, Nehawka; Ralph Creamer, Murdock; Charles Stoehr, Thomas J. Walling, John L. Hill, L. L. Wiles, W. H. Puls, Rudolph Sedlak.

Court Reporter Glen Woodbury accompanied Judge Kieck to Omaha and Mrs. Woodbury served as court reporter for Judge Yeager.

The case was concluded at 11:30 this morning when J. Howard Davis, attorney for the defense entered the motion with the court that the case be taken from the jury and the verdict directed for the defendant, Poynter.

Judge Yeager heard the arguments of Mr. Davis and County Attorney J. A. Capwell and sustained the motion of Mr. Davis and dismissed the complaint against Poynter and who was accordingly released from the charges preferred.

GYPSIES LEAVE CITY

The last of the gypsy tribe that quartered in a vacant building on South Sixth street, several weeks, has left the city. The greater part of the tribe left for more congenial climes a week ago, but the "royal family," the king and his wife and children remained behind to await the repair of their car, they traveling in the modern style rather than the ancient horse drawn wagons that were the mark of the wandering gypsies for many years.

The tribe is to be united in the south where the weather is more mild and they can enjoy their nomadic life in the open to their heart's content.

The departure of the tribe has brought a great deal of relief to Chief of Police Lihershal, who for several weeks past has been forced to make many trips to the camp on complaints of the residents of the vicinity.

RETURN FROM FUNERAL

John E. Schutz, accompanied by his sister, Mrs. A. F. Braun, of Omaha, returned Monday from St. Paul, Minnesota, where they were attending the funeral of their sister, Mrs. Charles Guetschoff. On the way to St. Paul the party left by train Wednesday evening and were caught in heavy snow drifts in Iowa, the train being snowbound, causing nine and a half hours delay in reaching St. Paul. On the return they had three and a half hours delay due to the snow in Iowa. There was not a great deal of snow in St. Paul but very heavy in Iowa.

The funeral of Mrs. Guetschoff was held on Friday at St. Paul, the services being delayed to permit the sister and brother, Mrs. Braun and Mr. Schutz to reach St. Paul.

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BUSINESS CHANGES HANDS

The Orville Quillhurst department store at Elmwood was sold to Henry Amgwert, manager of the Murdock Mercantile company of Murdock last week, who secured as his manager and associate, Ted Hall. They have conducted the business for the past week. Mr. Amgwert added considerable stock. On Monday evening of this week Mr. Amgwert removed his added goods and sold the original store and business to Ted Hall and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Hall are now in charge. John Woods, who has been in the employ of the business has been retained as assistant.

Weston Young Man Suffers a Serious Injury

Clifford Samek, 20, Brother of Mrs. J. A. Capwell and Mrs. Chris Bullin, at the Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Bullin and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Capwell were at Wahoo, Nebraska, Sunday where they spent several hours with Clifford Samek, 20, a brother of Mrs. Capwell and Mrs. Bullin.

Mr. Samek was injured Saturday near Weston, his home, when the car that he was driving collided head-on with one driven by H. H. Henningsen, of Omaha.

The injured young man was taken to the hospital at Wahoo and where he is in critical condition. He suffered a skull fracture, while Henningsen suffered head cuts and a knee injury. Del Hapgood, 65, a transient, riding with Henningsen, suffered a nose fracture and several severe face cuts.

The sisters found Mr. Samek doing very well and the attending physicians were hopeful that unless complications set in that he had a fair chance of recovery from the injuries.

APPRECIATE RED CROSS WORK

The following letter has been received by Cass County chapter, American Red Cross from Wm. M. Baxter, Jr., manager, midwestern area, St. Louis Mo.:

"This will acknowledge, with sincere appreciation, receipt of your chapter's remittance in the amount of \$1,567.02 representing contributions for relief work in the Ohio and Mississippi flood area.

"Congratulations on the splendid achievement by your chapter on behalf of the Red Cross flood relief fund. You people have responded with unusual generosity and their support is inspiring and heartening to us in the gigantic task before Red Cross.

"The needs continue to grow. Red Cross is furnishing immediate emergency relief for refugees, including food, shelter, clothing, bedding, nursing and medical care which must continue for many weeks until the water has receded from the entire district and the people restored to their homes. There is also the possibility that additional towns may be evacuated resulting in an increase in the number of refugees.

"It is gratifying to know that contributions are still coming in to the chapter, and I assure you in the light of the above circumstances, every possible contribution is needed."

Since the amount mentioned in this letter went in, the amount has increased over \$2,152.77. Because of the great pressure of work upon the St. Louis office, it has been impossible to acknowledge all remittances promptly, but will be made as soon as possible.

GRADUATED FROM U. OF K.

Miss Lucille Thornton, daughter of D. R. Thornton of Plattsmouth, received her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Kentucky at the semester. Miss Thornton has been very active on the campus and has broadcasted university news over the radio for some time. She is a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma social sorority; Phi Beta, honorary musical sorority; Microphone Players; Strollers; and was military sponsor for Company B. She also appeared in the Guignol plays. Miss Thornton has visited in Plattsmouth with her father several times. She makes her home with her aunt in Lexington, Ky.

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Doody Begins Manufacturing in Plattsmouth

All-in-One Tractor Sweep and Haystacker Being Built Here—Invented by F. C. Doody.

A young manufacturing plant is being started in Plattsmouth that may develop into a thriving industry. E. J. Doody has opened the All-In-One Manufacturing company in the west room of the OK garage. He is building a tractor sweep and haystacker which fits the McCormick Deering 20 Farmall.

Sweeps of various kinds have been invented which may be attached to a tractor but this is the first sweep and stacker combination invented which can be attached to the tractor.

F. C. Doody, brother of E. J. Doody, is credited with the invention. In 1931, while E. J. Doody was farming in the Black Hills of South Dakota, he raised a good deal of hay. He told his brother, who was a carpenter, that he needed a stacker which could be attached to his tractor. F. C. Doody said, "I believe I could build a stacker like that," and did.

The machine was patented in 1932 but only a few were built as experiments. Last fall, E. J. Doody decided to commercialize the invention and started building the stackers in Omaha. Mr. Doody had his home in Plattsmouth and also operated the feed yards here so found it difficult to do both things well. A week ago he established his place of business in the garage building and is now busy cutting parts for and assembling 36 machines which will be on the market soon. Iron parts are made in Omaha but other materials are purchased in Plattsmouth.

Two men can easily sweep and stack forty tons of hay per day with the tractor sweep and haystacker. It can be used to either stack the hay in the field or load it in wagons and trucks. It can also be used to load corn fodder or any other roughage that has to be lifted in a wagon or truck.

A shovel attachment is sold with the machine which can be used to load ear-corn, fertilizer, dirt, sand, gravel, or any other bulk material. The maximum lift is twenty feet, and has an automatic stop and brake. The load can be stopped and dumped from any height. The load also can be carried at hay-height while moving forward or backward, and lifted, dumped or let down either while in motion or stopped.

One man can attach it to a tractor in thirty minutes or remove it in fifteen minutes.

Undoubtedly the new machine will find popularity in the hay sections of the state where the time of putting up hay is restricted to a few days. One machine in the shop is completely assembled. Workers are now busy cutting the wooden parts for the 36 additional machines which will be ready for sale by the time hay harvesting begins.

Perhaps while Plattsmouth boosters were viewing cities with small manufacturing plants with envy, one of these industries has been started quietly in their midst.

DEPARTS FOR THE WEST

Mrs. B. A. Rosencrans departed Monday night for the west coast, going to Medford, Oregon, where she will join Mr. Rosencrans and their son, Phillip, who are located in that city.

Mrs. Rosencrans with her daughter, Miss Mary Anne, were dinner guests of friends at Omaha Monday evening.

Mrs. Rosencrans who was born and reared in this city has a very large circle of friends who regret to see her and the members of the family circle remove from the community where they have been very prominent and active in the social life.

Mrs. Rosencrans has been engaged at the Pease Style shop for the past year and has made many friends among the patrons of the shop.

The departure of Mrs. Rosencrans leaves but her mother, Mrs. Phillip Therolf and the daughter, Mary Anne, of the family remaining here.

CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wasley enjoyed a very pleasant observance of their thirty-fifth wedding anniversary the last of the week and in which a number of friends joined.

It was at Juneau, Wisconsin, February 5, 1902 that Miss Mamie Fribert and W. W. Wasley were united in marriage. They moved to Nebraska in 1907 and in 1913 moved to Plattsmouth where they have since resided.

They have one son, Russell W. Wasley, who is a member of the faculty of the high school at Superior, Montana.

Directed Verdict for John Pointer This Afternoon

Lack of Evidence to Tie Defendant to Charge of Forgery Results in Decision of Judge Yeager.

From Wednesday's Daily—

This afternoon at 2 o'clock, Judge John W. Yeager sustained the motion of defense attorney W. A. Robertson, that the case be dismissed and the defendant released. The court held that the state had failed to prove the issues in the case and that the identification of the defendant as the party passing the forged paper had been questioned by state's witnesses.

The jury panel was called in this morning to resume their work and with the first case to be called that of the State of Nebraska vs. John H. Pointer, the defendant being charged with forgery of a check for \$6.00, which was cashed here at the Cass theatre on July 17, 1936.

The check was signed by the name of John Davis and was made payable to Hugh Reed and which indorsement was on the back of the check. It was cashed and after the price of two theatre tickets was taken out the change of \$5.50 was paid the bearer of the check by the cashier of the theatre.

Several specimens of the handwriting of the defendant was offered by County Attorney J. A. Capwell and identified by Deputy Sheriff Cass Sylvester as being written by the defendant Pointer.

The state had called Mr. Shane of Omaha, handwriting expert but who was unable to reach the court for the morning session.

N. S. Westerlund, proprietor of the theatre, was called to the stand and thought that the defendant was the man that had passed the check at the theatre, but under cross-examination of W. A. Robertson, defense counsel, was not certain of the identification or whether it had been Robert Lee Whitfield or Pointer.

Whitfield, who plead guilty to a forgery charge which had taken place at the alleged forgery of Pointer, was brought here from the state reformatory where he is serving a one to three year term on this charge, being present in court.

OPENING OF LENT

From Wednesday's Daily—

Today marks the opening of the preparation for Easter, known as Lent among the Christian churches, a forty day period before the commemoration of the resurrection on Easter Sunday.

The day was marked with morning services at the St. John's and Holy Rosary Catholic churches and the St. Luke's Episcopal church. The St. Paul's Evangelical church is holding an evening service.

At the St. John's and Holy Rosary churches the imposition of the ashes of Lent was a part of the service with the masses of the day.

The St. Luke's church observed the day with the appropriate penitential services to mark the period of denial and observance that marks the Lenten period.

All churches of the city will observe the Lenten season with special services.

Plattsmouth is the ideal large town shopping center for all Cass county people. Values here are the equal of those found anywhere—read the ads for bargain news.

City Council Discusses WPA Projects Monday

Plan Aid for Lincoln Avenue Surfacing and Hear Discussion of Handling of City Trucks.

The city council last evening engaged in a lengthy session in hearing the regular monthly reports of the various officials and an extended discussion of public works and how they are operated.

The chief of police disclosed that January had been free from arrests but that \$10 had been secured from a past due fine.

Police Judge Graves in reporting for the week ending February 4th, showed one arrest and fines and costs of \$1.

City Clerk Albert Olson for the first month of the year had collected the sum of \$459.69 and which had been turned over to the city treasury.

City Treasurer Brown showed the sum of \$15,658.18 as the balance in the city treasury and which amount is deposited at the Plattsmouth State bank.

The L. W. Egenberger agency which handles the city rental properties, gave a report showing that \$19.30 in rents had been secured and turned over to the city.

The finance committee of the council recommended that the general fund be drawn on for \$400 to be diverted to the gasoline tax fund to be used on public works expenses.

The following bills were ordered paid:

J. H. McMaken, sand	11.25
E. J. Richey, fuel	35.95
E. J. Richey, material	36.40
Turner Battery Co., charge battery for truck	1.00
Turner Battery Co., electric service, WPA truck	4.25
C. E. Welshimer, gas, special police	1.02
Platts, Water Corp., fire hydrants	483.96
John Tidball, fuel	29.10
Bates Book store, supplies	1.85
E. A. Wurl, material	2.45
Albert Olson, stamps	3.00
F. G. Fricke & Co., supplies	.40
Kroehler Hardware, repairs, jail	5.65
D. W. Hamrak, repairs, typewriter	5.00
Standard Oil Co., supplies	22.32
Iowa-Nebr., Light & Power Co., lights, city hall and gas	12.52
Iowa-Nebr., Light & Power Co., street lights	246.95
John Boetel, bury dog	.60
Ivan Taylor, street work with team	12.00
Geo. Taylor, work with team	19.20
Ivan Taylor, street work	20.50
John Kubicka, street work	25.20
Cass County Motor Co., repairs on truck	107.82
Giles Oil Co., gas and oil	24.43
W. A. Swatek, supplies	7.44
Journal, supplies	14.20
J. H. McMaken, sand	11.25
Jacobs Cafe, meals to prisoners	1.05
Fire Dept., flashlights, etc.	3.75
Expense, trip to League Municipalities meeting at Lincoln, city attorney and two councilmen	7.55

Discuss Truck Repair.

The item of \$107.82 for the repair of the old trucks owned by the city, was the cause of some discussion as to the cost of maintaining these trucks which had been purchased during the Sixth street paving and had proven a very costly proposition. Councilman Schutz felt that parties that had charge of the trucks should be more careful in handling them, that those who had charge and supervision of the work on Wintersteen hill should see that the trucks were properly cared for and kept from running without oil and causing damage to them.

Councilman Bestor was also of the opinion that these large bills were forced by negligence which caused the city to pay out large bills. Mayor Lushinsky stated that the city was not satisfied with the supervision of the work or the handling of the equipment and material. Councilman Schutz favored having the matter taken up with government WPA officials to try and secure some better results in handling the work and at less cost to the city. Councilman Johnson thought that a check should be made of the work as he had been told by one of the workers that the truck were still in bad shape.

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SPECIAL SOCIAL SECURITY FORMS ARE NOT NEEDED

Salesmen of printed forms who have been posing as representatives of the social security board have been misrepresenting themselves in order to secure orders from Omaha employers. Earl H. Hill, district manager for Nebraska for the social security board, said Monday.

"The government doesn't require any particular forms for keeping records," Mr. Hill said. "Report forms, the only ones required, are furnished by the Bureau of Internal Revenue. We don't have any representatives selling forms."

Red Cross Has Received Very Fine Response

Organization Has Established Concentration Centers and Aiding the Needy of Flood Area.

Reports at the end of last week show a total of \$16,755,000 given for flood relief fund. The eleven states of the midwest have sent \$5,127,000 to Red Cross headquarters. 878 concentration centers have been established, 305 field hospitals, 1,700 nurses employed, and 520 experienced disaster relief workers are on duty.

Wm. Baxter, manager of the midwestern area says "assistance given to flood sufferers is based on need and not loss. Disaster relief presents two phases. First an emergency to meet actual needs of the sufferers, rescue, food, clothing, shelter and medical care. The second need is rehabilitation. Every family affected by the disaster and without resources to re-establish itself unaided will, in so far as possible, be given sufficient help so that supplemented by its own effort, it may become self-supporting. The distribution is based on need, not loss."

"The relief fund is contributed by the American people to meet these actual needs and not to assume place of insurance and replace losses. All help given disaster sufferers is an outright gift from the American people through the Red Cross without any obligation."

Efforts of public agencies are directed primarily to general problems of sanitation, the repair of public property, including streets, sewers, lighting and water systems, etc. The responsibility assumed by the Red Cross for rehabilitation includes the provision of such services as may be necessary to maintain health, welfare of the families of the flood sufferers and to assist them in the restoration of their homes.

Plattsmouth's Red Cross contribution is \$717.75. Additional donations made since the last printing are, American Legion, \$10; D. M. Babbitt, \$5; Mary Propst, \$2; Russell Stander, Fritz Fricke, George W. Purnoff, Veronica Purnoff, and Mrs. Ed H. Tritsch, each \$1; and Mrs. Roy E. Eledge, 40c.

WOMEN'S DAY OF PRAYER FOR MISSIONS

In the Congo State, Africa, when the women were asked to pray for the women of the world on the Day of Prayer, they said:

"How can we pray for women we do not know, whom we do not understand, whose customs are different from ours? How can we pray for their needs, not knowing them?" and so they set about to discover the needs and interests of women from thirty different countries, representing them in pageant form; and after seeing them in their different aspects of dress and custom, they prayed with some degree of understanding and a great degree of interest. This giving to others by way of prayer was indeed a gift of power to the world and of glory to God.

In our city, the day of prayer will be observed by an interdenominational meeting held at the Presbyterian church beginning promptly at 2:30 o'clock Friday.

EIGHT MILE GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH

10:30 a. m. English services. Offering for Red Cross and United Lutheran flood relief offering.

Platters Close Home Stand by 32 to 17 Win

Auburn Bulldogs Not Dangerous After Opening Quarter of Game Tuesday Night.

It was curtains for the 1936-37 basketball season on the Plattsmouth court Tuesday night and the young men who play the game for Coach Boggess, dropped the curtain on a 32 to 17 win over the Auburn Bulldogs.

Aside from the first moments of the opening quarter the visitors were not a dangerous threat and the local defense had Jimmy Grant, ace basket-keeper of the visitors well blocked.

The visitors also were charged with some twenty fouls, Smith, Auburn guard, retiring in the opening half of the game while several of the others hovered at the three foul mark. Plattsmouth acquired nine fouls during the evening from Referee Keefe of Glenwood.

In the opening stanza of the game the visitors showed some real fight that caused the friends to anticipate a hard contested game. Hutton of Auburn looped the first basket, but Wooster came right back to knot up the score. Grant drove through for a side shot that was good and again Wooster with an under basket toss had the score tied. McCarroll and Grant each won a free toss. With a few seconds left McCarroll heaved the ball that cut the loop as the whistle sounded and the Platters led 7 to 5.

The second quarter was decidedly blue and white, Grant with a field goal and Meyers with a free toss making the only Auburn scores. "Huck" was the hot shot for the locals in this quarter, securing two field goals and a free toss, while Wooster and Miller each scored a field goal and Falk a free toss. The score at the half time was 17 to 8 for Plattsmouth.

The third frame brought the Platters farther in the lead, Wooster securing two field goals and Seitz one, while Wooster, Miller and Rebal, who replaced Seitz, secured a free toss. Johnson for the visitors made good a field goal and Doiel of the visitors a free toss. 24 to 11 was the count at the whistle.

In the last quarter of the game the Platter reserves were rushed in and the veterans with the exception of Wooster were taken out after a nice performance of basketball. Ben McCarty, substituting at center proved the star performer for the Platters in this stanza of the battle, having one field goal and a free toss. Wooster made two of the gift shots good and Seitz and Wall both connected with one of the gifts. Armstrong connected with two field goals for Auburn and Struck also added up a ringer. The final was 32 to 17.

The Auburn team brought a number of rooters with them to enjoy the game.

The box score of the contest:

Plattsmouth—				
	FG	FT	PF	TP
Wooster, f	4	3-5	2	11
Wall, f	0	1-1	0	1
Seitz, f	1	1-2	3	3
Rebal, f	0	1-1	1	1
McCarroll, c	3	3-8	0	9
McCarty, c	1	1-2	0	3
Miller, g	1	1-2	1	3
Hayes, g	0	0-1	1	0
Falk, g (c)	0	1-2	1	1
	10	12-26	9	32

Auburn—				
	FG	FT	PF	TP
Hutton, f (c)	1	0-0	0	2
Johnson, f	1	0-3	3	2
Smith, f	0	0-0	4	0
Armstrong, f	2	0-0	0	4
Grant, c	2	1-2	3	5
Stuck, c	1	0-0	3	2
Doiel, g	0	1-2	3	1
Meyers, g	0	1-2	1	1
Morris, g	0	0-0	1	0
Llewellyn, g	0	0-0	2	0

In the preliminary game the Nebraska City junior highs won from the Plattsmouth juniors by the score of 26 to 22. The locals made a strong bid for victory in the last part of the game but the Oteans had acquired a good lead in the earlier part of the struggle. Mason and Yelick led the Platters with seven points each. W. Simpson was the high scorer for Nebraska City with ten points.

On Friday the Platters will journey to Malvern, Iowa, to play.